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Tatsuo KAKIMOTO, et al.

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ANALYSIS OF AGONIST-ACTIVITY AND ANTAGONIST-ACTIVITY TO

CYTOKININ RECEPTOR

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

For:

In response to the Restriction Requirement, dated September 11, 2003, Applicant elects Group I, claims 1-8 for examination. This election is made with traverse.

Applicants are of the opinion that Groups I and V should be rejoined because it is thought that these groups share the same subclasses of 6 and 7.1 and that undue burden in searching would not be required.

Applicant reserves the right to file a Divisional Application directed to non-elected claims 9-27.

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The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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